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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 October 2009.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/CD)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to the remark filed on 10/29/2009. Claims 1-16 are pending.

Claims 1-16 directed to a method of playing a multimedia content transmitted by a third-party on a user device.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claims 1-8 and 10-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by **Joseph et al.** (hereinafter "Joseph") (**US 6, 993, 645 B2**).

Regarding claim 1, Joseph discloses a user device comprising:

a network interface configured for communicating via a network (Joseph, column 4, lines 1-2, fig.2, a network interface is communicating with a network), and

a processor arrangement configured for executing, in parallel, each of:

a boot module configured for booting the user device (Joseph, column 3, lines 10-14, a booting device is disclosed),

a receive module configured for receiving, from a third-party device, multimedia content via said network (Joseph, column 4, lines 13-19, fig.2, a content player is disclosed receiving content from a persistent storage medium), and

a content player module configured for playing multimedia content transmitted by said third-party device (Joseph, column 4, lines 55-58, a content player is displaying content during booting).

Regarding claim 2, Joseph discloses a user device as claimed in claim 1 further comprising a memory for storing multimedia content (Joseph, column 3, lines 51-56, a flash ROM is storing content), wherein:

a) said receive module is further configured for:

transmitting a first request asking whether said third-party device has multimedia content to download to said user device (Joseph, column4, lines 43-44, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform downloading of selective screen displays from a content repository),

receiving a response to said first request, sending a second request, depending at least on said response, said second request configured to contact a Common Gateway Interface (CGI) script hosted by the third-party device to ask for the download of multimedia content (Joseph, column4, lines 43-44, fig. 2, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform selective screen displays, a content repository where content is fetched, and a network interface transmits requests),

receiving the requested multimedia content (Joseph, column4, lines 43- 44, an interactive electronic device receives request from a user), and

storing the received content in said memory (Joseph, column 4, lines 60- 61, an initializing memory is storing video files), and

b) the content player module is further configured for playing other multimedia content stored in said memory prior to downloading the multimedia content (Joseph, column 4, lines 55-61, a content player is displaying media content that was stored in an initializing memory).

Regarding claim 3, Joseph discloses a user device as claimed in claim 1 wherein:

a) said receive module is further configured for transmitting a request asking for the streaming of multimedia content, and receiving multimedia content streamed by said third-party device in response to said request (Joseph, column4, lines 43-44, an interactive electronic device receives request from a user), and

b) the content player is further configured for playing the streamed multimedia content as it is received (Joseph, column 4, lines 55-58, a content player is displaying content during booting).

Regarding claim 4, Joseph discloses a user device as claimed in claim 3 wherein the content player is further configured to stop playing in response to said booting finishing (Joseph, column 5, lines 19-20, the BIOS ends the boot sequence by halting the content player).

Regarding claim 5, Joseph discloses a method of playing a content on a user device that communicates via a network, said method comprising implementing, in parallel, each of the steps of:

booting said user device (Joseph, column 3, lines 10-14, a booting devise is disclosed),

receiving multimedia content from a third-party device to said user device via said network, and playing multimedia content received from said third-party device (Joseph, column 6, lines 9-10, fig. 2, content is received from a content repositories into a content player).

Regarding claim 6, Joseph discloses a method as claimed in claim 5 of playing a multimedia content on a user device which comprises a memory for storing multimedia content, wherein a) said receiving step includes protocol-implementing steps of:

transmitting a first request from said user device, said first request asking whether said third-party device has new multimedia content to download to said user device, transmitting a response to said user device, at least if said third-party device has new multimedia content to download (Joseph, column 4, lines 43-44, fig. 2, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform selective screen displays, a content repository where content is fetched, and a network interface transmits requests),

transmitting a second request from said user device depending at least on said response and on one or more predefined criterion including at least one of a network load criteria and an available memory criteria, said second request asking for the download of said new multimedia content, downloading said new multimedia content from said third-party device to said user device (Joseph, column 4, lines 43-44, fig. 2, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform selective screen displays,

a content repository where content is fetched, and a network interface transmits requests), and

storing the downloaded multimedia content in said memory (Joseph, column 3, lines 51-56, a flash ROM is storing content), and

b) said playing step includes playing multimedia content stored in said memory prior to said downloading (Joseph, column 4, lines 55-58, a content player is displaying content during booting).

Regarding claim 7, Joseph discloses a method as claimed in claim 5 of playing multimedia content on a user device, wherein:

a) said step of receiving includes protocol-implementation steps of: transmitting a request from said user device, said request asking for the streaming of multimedia content, and streaming multimedia content from said third- party device to said user device in response to said request (Joseph, column 4, lines 43-44, fig. 2, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform selective screen displays, a content repository where content is fetched, and a network interface transmits requests), and

b) said playing step includes playing the streamed multimedia content on said user device as it is received (Joseph, column 4, lines 55-58, a content player is

displaying content during booting).

Regarding claim 8, Joseph discloses a method of playing multimedia content as claimed in claim 5, wherein the received multimedia content is customized by said third-party (Joseph, column 6, lines 32-35, the retrieval of the data is done according to pre-defined parameters).

Regarding claim 10, Joseph discloses a third-party device for communicating via a network and for implementing a protocol for transmitting multimedia content to a user device via said network, comprising:

a receiver configured for receiving a first request sent by said user device during booting of the user device, said first request asking whether said third-party device has a multimedia content to download to said user device and for receiving a second request sent by said user device during booting of the user device, the second request asking for the download of a multimedia content (Joseph, column 4, lines 43-44, fig. 2, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform selective screen displays, a content repository where content is fetched, and a network interface transmits requests), and

a transmitter for transmitting a response to said user device, at least if said third-party device has multimedia content to download to said user device, and for

uploading multimedia content to said user device upon reception of said second request (Joseph, column 4, lines 43-44, fig. 2, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform selective screen displays, a content repository where content is fetched, and a network interface transmits requests).

Regarding claim 11, Joseph discloses a system comprising:

at least a user device that while booting, initiates implementation of a communications protocol (Joseph, column 3, lines 10-14, a user device is initiated while booting device) and plays multimedia content (Joseph, column 4, lines 55-58, a content player is displaying content during booting),

a third-party device that, while the user device is booting, communicates with the user device during booting using the communications protocol and, while the user device is booting, transmits multimedia content to the user device and a network over which the communication and transmitting occurs (Joseph, column 4, lines 43-44, fig. 2, an interactive electronic device allows a user to perform selective screen displays, a content repository where content is fetched, and a network interface transmits requests).

Regarding claim 12, Joseph discloses a computer readable medium storing program comprising instructions for implementing a method as claimed in claim 5, when

executed by a microprocessor of a user device (Joseph, column 3, lines 10-14, a computer is performing sequences of booting instruction).

Regarding claim 13, Joseph discloses the user device of claim 1, wherein the processor arrangement is further configured for booting by executing an initial set of operations in response to a user turning on power to the user device (Joseph, column 3, lines 22-24, a device is responding to a user queries posed during a boot sequences).

Regarding claim 14, Joseph discloses the method of claim 5, wherein the step of booting further includes executing an initial set of operations in response to a user turning on power to the user device (Joseph, column 3, lines 22-24, a device is responding to a user queries posed during a boot sequences).

Regarding claim 15, Joseph discloses the third-party device of claim 10, wherein the receiver is further configured receiving a first request while the user device is booting by executing an initial set of operations in response to a user turning on power to the user device (Joseph, column 3, lines 22-24, a device is responding to a user queries posed during a boot sequences).

Regarding claim 16, Joseph discloses the system of claim 11, wherein booting the user device includes executing an initial set of operations in response to a user turning on

power to the user device (Joseph, column 3, lines 22-24, a device is responding to a user posed queries posed during a boot sequences).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, ff the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Joseph in view of **Perlman** et al (hereinafter "Perlman ") (**US 7, 200, 859 B1**).

Regarding claim 9, Joseph discloses a method of playing multimedia content as claimed in claim 5.

Although Joseph discloses a method of downloading a multimedia content, he does not disclose the method wherein the received multimedia content is compressed.

Perlman discloses the method wherein the received multimedia content is compressed (Perlman, column 4, lines 28-31, data is transfer before being transferred).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to implement Perlman compressing feature with Joseph transmitting multimedia content with booting method in order to create a transmitting multimedia content with booting method with a compressing feature in order to be able to transmit larger multimedia data.

Response to Argument

6. **The Applicant argues** Joseph does not teach a receive module for receiving, from a third-party device, multimedia content via said network, where the module is implemented in parallel with a boot module (Remark, page 8, lines 15-18).

The Examiner disagrees because Joseph discloses a content player receiving content from a persistent storage medium (Joseph, column 4, lines 13-19, fig.2); he also discloses delivering, retrieving, and displaying content to a user of a computer system during the POST phase of a BIOS start-up sequence; therefore, the receiving and playing happend while booting and therefore are parallel to booting (Joseph, column 2, lines 4-7).

Conclusion

7. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be directed to Marie Georges Henry whose telephone number is (571) 270-3226. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday 7:30am - 4:00pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saleh Najjar can be reached on (571) 272-4006. The fax phone number for the organization where this

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